

IB Interview Guide: Course Outline

Description: The Investment Banking Interview Guide helps students and professionals win investment banking job offers with templates, guides, and tutorials for resume walkthroughs, fit/behavioral questions, deal/market discussions, technical questions, and qualitative and quantitative case studies. Students can also test themselves with hundreds of quiz questions and use the Quick Start Guide to prepare efficiently.

Objectives: By the end of the course, students will be able to walk through their resumes convincingly, provide solid answers to fit/behavioral questions, discuss deals and markets, and correctly answer the most common technical interview questions about accounting, valuation, and M&A/LBO models.

Target Audience: Undergraduates, MBA students, interns, and new hires.

Duration: Varies widely based on how much the student reads and completes; the median is likely 15 – 20 hours of preparation time, but shorter and longer study plans exist for those with different requirements.

Outline:

- **Module 1: Action Plan and Quick Start Guide (0.5 Hours)** – This module shows students and professionals how to get the most out of the Interview Guide with limited time, such as a few hours or days to prepare. The Quick Start Guide includes 4-hour, 2-day, and 1-week-long study plans, plus checklists of everything required before and after the interview.
- **Module 2: How to Tell Your Story (Resume Walkthrough Tutorials) (2.0 Hours)** – This module presents guides, templates, and examples for answering the most important question in any interview: “Tell me about yourself” or “Walk me through your resume/CV.” Students can also post their own resume walkthroughs and get feedback and comments from staff.
- **Module 3: Fit Questions and Deal and Market Discussions (0.5 Hours)** – Students learn how to answer “fit” questions (e.g., strengths, weaknesses, and leadership skills) and how to discuss deals, companies, and markets, including deals they have worked on and ones they have researched independently.
- **Module 4: Technical Questions and Answers (~450 Pages of Core Material; Optional/Advanced Content Adds Another ~500 Pages)** – This module presents detailed written guides and Excel files for the most important technical concepts, ranging from the time value of money to accounting, the financial statements, equity value/enterprise value, valuation/DCF analysis, and M&A and LBO models. There are also guides for the capital markets, Leveraged Finance, private companies, real estate, restructuring, banks/insurance firms, oil & gas firms, and more.
- **Module 5: Interactive Quizzes (218+ Quiz Questions)** – This module lets students test their knowledge of the key technical topics by completing quizzes on Accounting, Equity Value and Enterprise Value, Valuation and DCF Analysis, Merger Models, and LBO Models. They can check their work and review everything via the full answer keys and explanations in the course.

- **Module 6: Case Study Exercises (10 Hours)** – This **optional module** is intended for more advanced candidates and students who need to practice for assessment centers, which are common in the EMEA (Europe, Middle East, and Africa) region. It contains case studies with full walk-throughs and solutions for financial modeling tests (3-statement models, valuations, M&A models, LBO models, etc.) and qualitative discussions of M&A deals. The deals and companies featured in this module are **global** and span a variety of industries.

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